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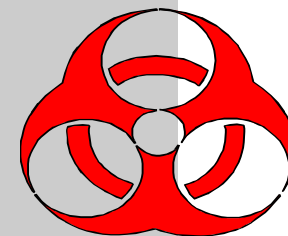
Accreditation

Continuing education credits will be offered for laboratorians based on 5.0 hours of instruction.

Special Needs

In compliance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations should notify the appropriate NLTN office at least two weeks prior to the workshop. Call 1-800-536-NLTN within the Northeast Region.

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The Role of the Clinical Laboratory In Response to Bioterrorism

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Program Description

The possibility of a bioterrorism attack is being taken seriously by healthcare and public health professionals throughout the country. What is biological terrorism? How can it be detected? How does the current healthcare system respond to an attack? How do you recognize suspicious organisms? What would you do if a suspicious organism was isolated in your laboratory? This program will investigate these issues and help your laboratory prepare for a response. The most likely agents of a biological threat will be described including clinical presentation, laboratory identification, and safety issues.

Program Objectives

Following this course, participants should be able to:

- ◆ List critical biological agents which have been suspected in bioterrorism events
- ◆ Describe the clinical manifestations of diseases caused by critical biological agents
- ◆ Outline the laboratory identification of critical biological agents
- ◆ Define the level of microbiological identification recommended for your laboratory
- ◆ State the reference laboratory in your area for referral of critical biological agents
- ◆ Discuss the components of CDC's "response to bioterrorism" plan
- ◆ Describe recent bioterrorism threats or hoaxes which have occurred in your region

Agenda

Registration begins at 8:30 am

9:00 to 12:30

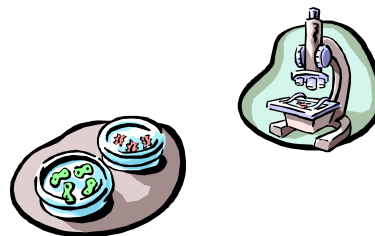
Opening Remarks
Overview of Bioterrorism
FBI's Role in Bioterrorism: Threats and Hoaxes
Clinical Presentation of Critical Biological Agents

Lunch Provided

1:30 – 4:00

Laboratory Levels and Capabilities: What Every
Laboratorian Needs to Know
State Public Health Laboratory Response Plan
Safe Shipping and Handling

Wrap Up



Speakers

Speakers include regional experts from:

State Public Health Departments

State Public Health Laboratory Directors,
Epidemiologists, and Microbiologists

Infectious Disease Faculty

Clinical specialists in infectious disease and
organisms of bioterrorism

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Regional bioterrorism coordinator

Who Should Attend

This program will be of interest to laboratorians, physicians, nurses, healthcare and public health professionals who may be required to respond to incidents of bioterrorism.

Meeting Dates & Locations

October 7, 1999	Concord, NH
November 1, 1999	Springfield, MA
November 5, 1999	Augusta, ME
November 16, 1999	Rochester, NY
November 17, 1999	White River Junction, VT
December 1, 1999	New York City, NY
December 8, 1999	Hartford, CT
December 16, 1999	Providence, RI

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